

**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

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HAVING AN ELASTOMERIC  
OUTER SURFACE AND  
METHODS OF MAKING SUCH  
COMPONENTS

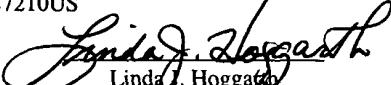
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

In reference to the above-referenced patent application, please enter the following amendment and consider the accompanying remarks prior to examination thereof on the merits.